House Resolution No. 1879

Whereas, as the 2002-2003 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Scott City R-I School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on June 30, 2003, with the retirement of Mary Ann Tatum who has devoted many years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Mary Ann Tatum has taught fourth grade for five years at Scott City R-I, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Mary Ann Tatum taught kindergarten for five years and third grade for seventeen years in the Chaffee R-II School District; and

Whereas, Mary Ann Tatum has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, Mary Ann Tatum has supported her profession as a Missouri School Improvement Program team member and member of the Community Teachers Association, the Missouri State Teachers Association, and Alpha Delta Kappa; and

Whereas, Mary Ann Tatum has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Roger L. Tatum, retired Superintendent of Scott City R-I; and one daughter, Stefanie L. Tatum, a college student:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Scott City R-I School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Mary Ann Tatum has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mary Ann Tatum, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered b	DY
	Representative Lanie G. Black, III
	District No. 161
Represen Regular S	ne L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of tatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Session, do certify that the above is a true and opy of House Resolution No. 1879, adopted April